(c) and (d) Government have, at all levels, brought to the notice of the Brit ish authorities, Members of Parliament and other influential circles in the UNited Kingdom, the false and motivated nature of Pakistan's propaganda and its direct involvement in sponsoring terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir.

Training to Kuwaiti Military personnel by Indian Military Academies

3848. SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have offered to train Kuwaiti Military personnel in different Military Academies;

(b) if so, the details thereof with back ground for such move;

(c) whether such training will be with full explanation to neighbouring countries of Kuwait;

(d) whether such training will be under certain terms and conditions; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R.L. BHATIA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Government of India had offered one training slot in 1994-95 to Kuwait at Defence Gervices Staff College (DSSC), Welligton as a part of the training facilities that Government offers to friendly countries under Indian Technical & Economic Cooperation Programme (ITEC) or on self-financing basis.

(d) and (e) The offer for the DSSC course was made on a self-financing basis. Therefor, all the expenditure was to be met by the Government of Kuwait.

Pak efforts to Internationalise the Kashmir Issue

3849. SHRI G. V. KRISHNAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pakistan expointed a global Islamic Conference held in the London earlier this month to internationalise the Kashmir issue which is high on the agenda of the international Muslim Khilafat, convened by the Muslim Unity Organisation to bring the vital issues to the forefront;

(b) whether Government have taken note of the extremist language of the conference literature and the agenda items; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken through its High Commission in London to counter Pakistan's propaganda at such Islamic meets against India on the Kashmir issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) No Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir. But the Conference literature related more to Islamic fundamental ism of the antiJewish genere.

(c) Does not arise.

Bilateral agreement with Spain

3850. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of bilateral agreements covering wide ranging matter including trade affairs entered into with the Spain;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government of Spain has not been indicating further interest in resolving issues partaining to trade and commerce, complaints from Indian exporters etc;

(c) whether Government of India has not yet pointed out various defaults on the part of Spanish Government or its various agencies; and

(d) if so, the facts thereof and details of agreements reached between the two Government during the past three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEE): (a) Bilateral agreements entered into with the Government of Spain include an Agreement on Trade and Economic Cooperation signed in 1972 under which an Indo Spanish Joint Commission on Commercial Cooperation and Indo Spanish Joint Business Council have been instituted; a Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement signed

in Faburary 1993; and a Cultural Agreement signed in September 1982 under which Cultural Exchange Programmes are drawn up every three years.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Visit of Agricultural Delegation to Israel

3851. SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agricultural delegation visited Israel in the year 1993;

(b) what was the status of the delegation;

(c) whether any agreement was signed between India and Israel;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the delegation had visited any other country; and

(f) What was the outcome of that visit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R.L. BHATIA): (a) and (b) According to the information received from the Ministry of Agriculture, the following delegations of Government of India visited Israel in 1993:—

(i) A delegation led by Shri Shard Pawar, Chief Minister of Maharashtra to visit the Agritech Exhibition organised by the Government of Israel from May 2—6, 1993

(ii) Delegation led by Shri Balram Jakhar, Minister of Agriculture from July 4—7,—1993.

(c) and (d) Subsequent to these visits, an Agreement for Cooperation in the field of Agriculture was signed between the two countries in December 1993. The Agreement provides for cooperation in agricultural science and technology including research, eductation, extension and training, development projects and joint ventures between companies or institutions of the two countries through collaborative activities and exchanges in the areas of water and soil management, arid and semiarid crop production, plant and animal sciences, veterinary science, farm mechanisation and technology, agro forestry, etc.

Cooperation under the Agreement is to be carried out through biennial Work Plans.

(e) and (f) From Israel the delegation led by Agriculture Minister visited (i) Cyprus from July 8—11, 1993 to discuss bilateral cooperation in agriculture and sign a Work Plan for the years 1993-94 under the ongoing Programme of Cooperation in the field of Agriculture with Cyprus; and (ii) Rome, Italy, from July 12—13, 1993 to hold discussions with Director General, Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and Executive Director, World Food Programme.

Negotiation with Bangladesh

3852. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI. Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to keep the Government of West Bengal involved in various stage of its negotiations with Bangladesh, on irrigation, economic, border management and similar other issues; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI R.L. BHATIA): (a) and (b) Government keeps the Government of West Bengal informed about the issues of the latter's interest relating to Indo-Bangladesh relations. This is ensured through discussions both at official and political levels from time to time.

Expanding the Activities of ICCR in Islamic Countries

3853. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government will consider engaging the lobbyist services for the Islamic countries to contain the wrong propaganda of Pakistan regarding Kashmir;

(b) what is the present infrastructure with our missions in the Islamic countries to counter the false propaganda of Pakistan and inform the activities of ISI in spreading terrorism in India;

(c) whether Government will consider expanding the activities of ICCR is Islamic